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Letter dated 5 October 1999 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith an information note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia on the new developments in the field of telecommunications (see annex).

I would be grateful if you could circulate the present letter and its annex as a document of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 87.

(*Signed*) Peter **Chkheidze**

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Annex

Information note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia

Tbilisi, 18 September 1999

On 23 July 1999, an antenna-reflector made at the Institute of Constructions in Outer Space of Georgia was successfully mounted on the Russian space station "Mir" and launched into outer space.

These developments are significant, as they mark Georgia's increasing contribution to the peaceful uses of outer space, in cooperation with the Russian Federation.

There is wide-held consensus amongst international experts that the reflector, by all parameters, is more advanced than that of its antecedents, paving the way for an entirely new generation of telecommunications instruments.